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SRI S. M. ANNAMALAI : ஸார், இப்போது இருக்கின்ற வரிகளே தாங்க முடியாத அளவுக்கு மக்கள் தவித்துக்கொண்டிருக்கிறார்கள். அப்படியிருக்கும்போது மேலும் தண்ணீர் வரியை உயர்த்தினால் சாதாரண விவசாயிகள் இன்னும் பாதிக்கப்பட மாட்டார்களா? ஆகையால் இதை கைவிடுவதற்கு அரசாங்கம் பரிசீலனை செய்யுமா?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : மத்திய அரசாங்கத் தினுடைய தகவலிலிருந்து புதிய பிராஜக்ட்டுகளிலுள்ளவைகளுக்கும், பழைய பிராஜக்ட்டுகளிலுள்ளவைகளுக்கும் மிகவும் வித்தியாசம் இருக்கிறது. ஆகவே இதைப் பற்றி பரிசீலனை செய்துதான் முடிவு எடுக்கவேண்டும்.

MR. SPEAKER : Questions are over.

[NOTE—An asterisk (*) at the Commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

II.—CALLING ATTENTION TO THE NEED FOR RELIEF TO HARIJANS IN SIRKALI.

MR. SPEAKER : I have received a notice from Sri C. Muthiah under rule 41 of the Assembly Rules. The hon. Member will now call the attention of the Minister.

SRI C. MUTHIAH : கனம் சபாநாயகர் அவர்களே, சென்ற ஐப்பசி மாதம் பூராவும் சீர்காழி தாலுகாவில் 62 அங்குலம் மழை பெய்ததின் காரணமாக பல விடுகள் சேதம் அடைந்து விட்டன. சீர்காழி தாலுகாவினுடைய.

MR. SPEAKER : கனம் அங்கத்தினர் போன வாரம் சட்ட சபைக்கு வரவில்லை போல் இருக்கிறது. 41-வது விதியின்கீழ் கனம் அங்கத்தினர் பிரசங்கம் செய்ய முடியாது. கொடுத்திருக்கக்கூடிய நோடிஸைப் படிக்க வேண்டியது. அதைப் படித்தவுடன் கனம் அமைச்சர் பதில் கொடுப்பார்.

III. SITTINGS OF THE HOUSE.

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM : Rule 20 of the Madras Legislative Assembly Rules reads as follows :—

“ 20. Sittings of the Assembly shall, unless the Speaker otherwise directs, ordinarily commence at 8-30 a.m. and conclude at 1-30 p.m.”.

To-day the Assembly could not meet at 8-30 a.m. and the commencement of the meeting was delayed by ten minutes. The Hon. Speaker did not direct that the Assembly should meet only at 8-45 a.m. The reason was there was no quorum. The Hon. the Leader of the House did not take efforts to secure quorum at 8-30 a.m. In this connection I wish to bring to your notice . . .

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MR. SPEAKER: The hon. Member, Sri M. Kalayanasundaram should inform me what subject he is raising and under what rule. He cannot make a general statement at his pleasure. If he tells me under what rule he makes a statement, then I would be able to say whether it is in order or not.

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM: When I came here some of the hon. Members approached me and asked me about this . . .

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: It cannot be discussed on the floor of the House.

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM: Some of the hon. Members misunderstood the arrangements made in connection with the reception to the Queen in the Rajaji Hall. I would request the Hon. Speaker to set apart half-an-hour to discuss this matter *in camera* so that the misunderstanding may be cleared. The Hon. the Leader of the House seems to have laid the responsibility on the Leaders of the Opposition parties. It will be helpful if at least half-an-hour is set apart for discussing this question *in camera*, i.e., without the public and the Press.

MR. SPEAKER: The hon. Member, Sri M. Kalyanasundaram is taking me by surprise. Nobody prevented me from coming to the House. If the hon. Member raises by a specific motion, I will put it to the House.

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM: Out of respect for your views, I would make a suggestion that the matter could be discussed *in camera*.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: This is a matter not relating to the House. I do not want any discussion on this matter in this House particularly when we are considering various other matters. Perhaps, an informal discussion with the Hon. Speaker in the Speaker's room may take place if the hon. Member desires to have it.

MR. SPEAKER: The hon. Member Sri M. Kalyanasundaram, may come to my room.

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM: Now that the hon. Members are seized of the matter—I understand that they abstained from the Assembly—It is relevant that it should be discussed *in camera* in the House.

MR. SPEAKER: The hon. Member may discuss with me in my room. I will then come to a decision.

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM: If you agree, we can allot some time to-morrow.

II.—CALLING ATTENTION TO THE NEED FOR RELIEF TO HARIJANS IN SIRKALI.—*cont.*

SRI C. MUTHIAH: I rise to call the attention of the Hon. the Minister for Revenue to an urgent matter of public importance viz., relief to Harijans who lost their houses due to the havoc caused by heavy rains in Sirkali during the last rainy season.